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In re Application of:

Robert Michael Roberts et al.

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For: COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR EARLY PREGNANCY DIAGNOSIS Group Art Unit: 1643

Examiner: Lisa V. Cook

Atty. Dkt. No.: UVMO:003/SLH

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED AUGUST 30, 2000

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Restriction Requirement dated August 30, 2000 for which the date for response is September 30, 2000.

It is believed that no fee is due; however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to this document, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from Fulbright & Jaworski Account No.: 50-1212/10012519/UVMO:003/SLH.

In response to the restriction requirement which the Examiner imposed, Applicants elect, without traverse, to prosecute claims 1-14 and 30-34, *i.e.*, the Group A claims.